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- 1. The Grosskokerei Lauchhammer (Matyas Rakosi) has a production capacity of 3,360 tons per day or 140 tons per furnace unit. There are 24 furnace units, each consisting of two furnaces. Up to the present, only two units are in operation. The others are not yet ready, so the current production is 280 tons perdday.
- 2. Fine grain briquettes are used at present in coke making, but the plan is to use superfine grain in the future, for which two briquette factories have been built.
- 3. The finished coke will be screened and graded before it is distributed for use. The coke made here is used by the blast furnace at Calbe Elbe and the carbide works at Schkopau.
- 4. The gas produced in the coke-making process has to be burned off, because the gas purification is not yet in operation. Otherwise it could be used for fuel. Similarly, no present use is made of the benzine, phenol, nitrogen and carbon dioxide.

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